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Re: *U.S. Patent Application Entitled: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS
COMPRISING CAPTURE AGENTS – Thomas Kodadek*
Our Ref. No. UTSD:935US; Matter No. 10315855

Commissioner:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a 84-page patent specification including 43 claims; an abstract and a four page sequence listing. Also included are Figures 1-26 on 26 sheets. The specification and drawings constitute the application of Thomas Kodadek for the captioned invention.

Also transmitted herewith is a diskette containing the computer-readable form of those sequences in the specification, a Statement as Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f), and a separate paper copy of the sequence listing.

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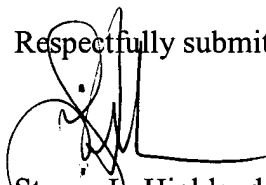
Please note that this application is filed without an inventor Declaration and Assignment, a Power of Attorney, and filing fees. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and (f), the Applicant requests the Patent and Trademark Office to accept this application and accord a serial number and filing date as of the date this application is deposited with the U.S. Postal Service for Express Mail. Further, the Applicant requests that the NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS-FILING DATE GRANTED pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f) be sent to the undersigned Applicant's representative.

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